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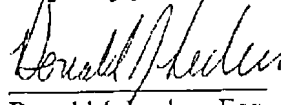
RE: Enclosed Statement of Substance of Interview Under 37 CFR §1.133(b)  
U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/989,437  
Attorney Docket No.: DP-820 US  
Our Reference No.: MAR.067

Dear Examiner Holton,

Enclosed for filing is a Statement of Substance of Interview Under 37 CFR §1.133(b) in response to the Examiner Interview held on April 24, 2007, in the above-referenced application, which is believed to place of the application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of

**Sugimoto, Mamiko**

Serial No.: 09/989,437

Group Art Unit: 2629

Filed: November 21, 2001

Examiner: Holton, Steven E.

For: **METHOD FOR SUPPORTING MEDICAL TREATMENT SYSTEM AND  
MEDICAL TREATMENT SUPPORT SYSTEM**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW UNDER 37 CFR §1.133(b)**

Sir:

In response to the telephone Examiner Interview held on April 24, 2007, please consider the Statement of Substance of Interview in the above-identified application as follows:

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Application No. 09/989,437  
Docket No. DP-820 US

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**I. STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

The following is Applicant's Statement of Substance of Interview held with the Examiner of Record in the above-identified application on April 24, 2007.

Applicant's representative demonstrated that the reference to Snell fails to teach or suggest Applicant's claimed invention of determining a data identifier in received handwriting.

The Examiner stated that he will withdraw the finality of the Final Office Action mailed on January 24, 2007, since the reference to Snell fails to teach or suggest determining a data identifier in received handwriting.

The Examiner then stated that he would conduct a new search and based upon his findings, issue either a new Office Action or a Notice of Allowance.

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## II. FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

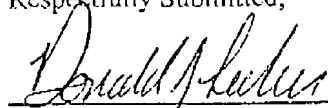
In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 1-30, all of the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

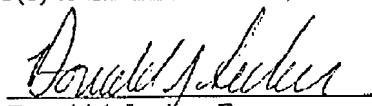
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I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (571) 273-8300 the enclosed Statement of Substance of Interview Under 37 CFR §1.133(b) to Examiner Holton, Art Unit 2629, on April 25, 2007.

  
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